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TO : General Counsel

DATE: 6 April 1950

FROM : Chief, Inspection &amp; Security Staff

SUBJECT: March - April No. 1 Issue of Atomic Spy Cases

It will be noted that the subject publication under "Donovan of Central Intelligence" states, "This story is based on the files of Central Intelligence - that new United States counter-espionage service established during World War II - and told by a man whose name must be censored, though we know him as.... Donovan- of Central Intelligence!"

This Staff has no record of Avon, stated on the cover sheet as the publishers. It is suggested that consideration be given to writing the publishers and asking that the statement regarding the basing of these stories on the files of Central Intelligence be deleted in forthcoming issues. It is further suggested that the approach might be that if this statement is true then the publishers may be liable under the Espionage Act for the disclosure of classified information, and if not true, that liability may be involved under Postal laws or regulations.

  
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Enclosure:  
Subject publication

